

Vision 2020 Sustainable Arlington Minutes

November 17, 2015

Present: Carol Chamberlain (Mothers Out Front), Anne Goodwin (Mothers Out Front), DeAnne Dupont (facilitator), Gail McCormick (chair), David Landskov, Charlotte Milan (reporting), and Brucie Moulton.

- 1. Minutes: Reviewed and approved August and September 2015 minutes, with the September minutes adjusted to read that Laura Notman will create the T-shirt spreadsheet, not DeAnne.
- 2. December party: Set for Saturday, Dec. 19 at the First Parish vestry. SA will purchase beverages. Planning will happen via email. Time and reminder should be sent to the yahoo list as soon as possible. Brucie will confirm calendar dates on Town website. Sustainable Arlington will provide additional food (Charlotte will work with DeAnne). FoodLink will provide some food (desserts, cheese baguettes). Invited are all Vision 2020 standing committee, Mothers Out Front, True Story Theater, Friends of Spy Pond Park, Open Space Committee, and any other groups we can think of.
- 3. Mothers Out Front Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) update: MoF has begun planning for a political campaign, and have prepared a draft warrant article. Selectman Dan Dunn has expressed interest in CCA from a consumer choice perspective. MoF intends to reach out to Selectman Joe Curro to become the champion of the warrant article. Selectman Steven Byrne works in the energy field. The question to SA is: would we would like to be a supporter or help create a coalition? We reviewed the description.

VOTED: SA supports the warrant article prepared by Mothers Out Front.

VOTED: SA would like to consider becoming part of a coalition with this campaign. Further discussion about what it would entail can happen in January.

Ryan will be the point person/liaison to a working committee with MoF to continue to develop the language associated with the warrant article.

SA will post on our website a basic description of "what is Community Choice Aggregation and its greenhouse gas emission reduction benefits." MoF will provide the language and will post an announcement on the SA yahoo listserv.

4. Carbon Pricing Forum on Thursday, December 3 at the First Parish Church. Organized by 350.org MA. Green Sanctuary and MoF.

VOTED: SA will co-sponsor the forum.

5. Town working group on climate adaptation: Five SA members are putting themselves forward to represent SA as part of this new forming group. A paper vote was taken.

VOTED: Brucie, DeAnne and Gail will represent SA on this working group. SA will organize a subcommittee to support these activities and feed additional ideas and information: David and Ryan will sit on this committee and participate as technical advisors.

6. Living Brochure Vision 2020

SA has the chance to host True Story Theater for a professional development, to assist us in any aspect of our work we would like to work on.

Laura suggested - becoming visible in the community. Charlotte added that we could aim to commit to social media, and DeAnne suggested we consider a social media intern. Charlotte will ask for an April or May date for this training.

- 7. EcoFest is March 19, Are you ready for Climate Change?
- 8. MCAN- Working on CCA, community solar and kinetic hydro. No date for the conference yet.
- 9. T-shirts: Shirts are at Brucie's house. Charlotte has the money. Laura was reimbursed. Can we advertise them on our website? Brucie will follow up with Scott.
- 10. New Business:
 - a. Proposed to provide an honorarium to Scott Samenfeld in the amount of \$500. VOTED and passed. Gail will follow up with Scott and cc DeAnne to follow up with MCAN.
 - b. Living brochure: Proposed to provide \$500 to the Living Brochure Project. **VOTED and passed**.
 - c. FoodLink celebration on Monday, December 7 at 6:00 PM at the Central School, 27 Maple Street.